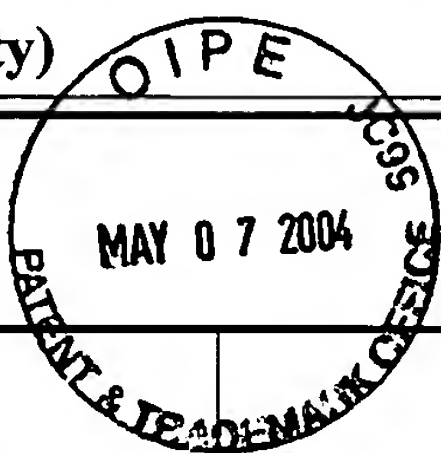


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Large Entity)

Docket No.
P-5478

In Re Application Of: Nicholas R. Bachur, Jr.



Serial No.
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Examiner
G. J. Stock, Jr.

Group Art Unit
2877

Invention: Rapid Imaging of Particles in a Large Fluid Volume

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 5, 2003 above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

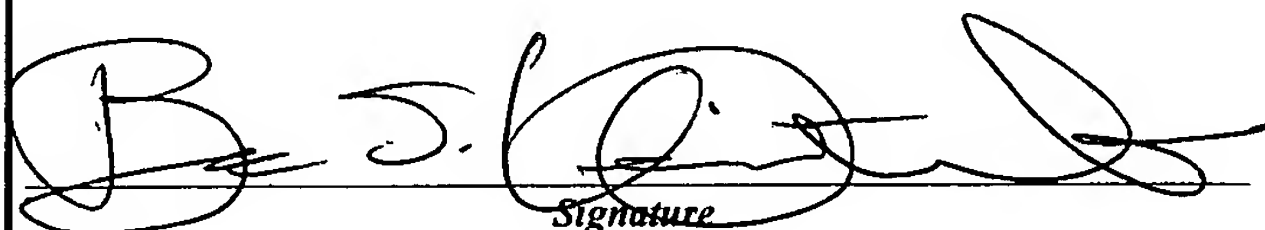
☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months

from: February 5, 2004
Date

until: May 5, 2004
Date

The fee for the extension of time is \$950 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-1666
☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 02-1666


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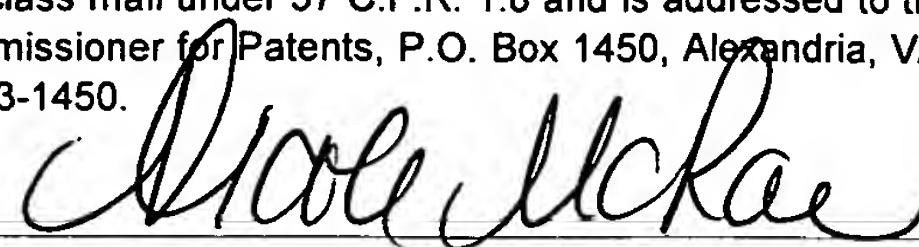
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